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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Kris Kilian et al)
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Title: SIDE REINFORCED BULK MATERIAL)
TRANSPORT CONTAINER)

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231
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Responsive to the Office Action dated July 11, 2002 (Paper No. 13), which was issued in response to the Supplemental Amendment filed May 13, 2002, the finality of which Office Action has been withdrawn pursuant to the telephone conversation had September 19, 2002, between the Examiner and John F. Hoffman, Reg. No. 26,280 (see letter from Examiner dated September 20, 2002, Paper No. 14), Applicants submit the following remarks, and additionally request the following amendments.

IN THE DRAWINGS

Please revise Fig. 4a of the drawings as set forth in the Request for Approval of Drawing Change submitted concurrently herewith (Paper No. 16).

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please revise the paragraph between lines 13 and 17 of page 5 to read as follows. The specific revisions thereto are set forth in Attachment I.

As seen in Figure 7, the natural angle of repose 13 is dependent on the product 12 desired to be carried, and can be determined by pouring or dropping the material 12 onto a level plane so as to form a substantially conical hill. The angle of repose 13 is then determined as the angle between the horizontal plane 15, and a line extending from the base of the cone to the top of the hill.

REMARKS

Claims 1-28, 30 and 31 are pending and rejected. No claims have been allowed. The statuses of the pending claims are set forth in Attachment II.

Figure 4a has been amended to indicate that it illustrates the prior art. The specification has been amended to provide typographical corrections. No new matter is introduced by these amendments.